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HOUSE RESOLUTION 247
By Walker

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend the Marlin Haston Family for their laudable service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those individual families who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, the Marlin Haston family is one such noteworthy family who have been an integral part of the Van Buren County community for many years; and

WHEREAS, reared on his family's farm in Van Buren County where beef cattle, hogs, and sheep were raised for sustenance and income, Marlin Haston graduated from Van Buren County High School in 1947 and earned a Bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville in 1954; and

WHEREAS, a Korean War Veteran who served his country from 1950-52, Mr. Haston worked as an Assistant County Agent for the University of Tennessee Extension Service in Grundy County from 1954-56 and then in Cumberland County from 1956-59; he began a long,

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successful career with the Tennessee Farm Bureau when he became the General Agent and Agency Manager for Tennessee Farmers Insurance Company in Cumberland County in 1959, where he remained for thirty-one years until his retirement in 1990 to become a full-time farmer; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Imogene Walker Haston is the lovely wife of Marlin Haston; the couple will celebrate their 47th wedding anniversary this year on July 30; and

WHEREAS, Imogene served as Van Buren County's Home Demonstration Agent for two years and taught Home Economics in Grundy County for one year and Chemistry and Science in Cumberland County Schools for ten years; she spent the rest of her time rearing three children and running the family farm; and

WHEREAS, Marlin and Imogene have three children: Jean Ann Hall, Jerry Haston, and David Haston; Jean Ann lives and farms in Trousdale County and David is a Farm Bureau Insurance Agent in Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, Marlin Haston, whose ancestors were early American settlers, proudly serves as a member of the Sons of the American Revolution; four of her grandfathers and great-grandfathers are documented as Veterans of the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, known throughout the community and county as "good farmers," Marlin and Imogene are great supporters of the entire agriculture community; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Haston and their entire family for their dedication to farming and to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and commend the Marlin Haston Family, the "Friends of Farming 2002," for their meritorious service to this State and extend our best wishes for their every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.